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-- 23. The compound 2 (2-amino-1,6-dihydro-6-oxo-purin-9-yl)-methoxy-3-hydroxy-1-propanyl-L-valinate hydrochloride.

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24. ² An antiviral pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of Claim ¹ 23 and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

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25. A method of treating an animal afflicted with a herpes viral infection, comprising administering a therapeutically acceptable amount of the compound of Claim 23 to the animal.

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26. ¹ The method of Claim ³ 25 where the compound is administered orally.

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27. ⁵ The method of Claim ³ 25 where the herpes viral infection is a cytomegalovirus infection.

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28. The method of Claim ⁵ 27 wherein the compound is administered orally.

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